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SUBJECT: PROPOSALS TO REMOVE AMERICAN FIRMS FROM ARAB BLACKLIST

REF: STATE 90993

1. AMBASSADOR AND ECONOFF PRESENTED POINTS IN REFTEL TO
MINISTER OF FINANCE, IBRAHIM ABDULKARIM, MAY 10 AFTER LATTER'S
RETURN FROM EXTENSIVE OFFICIAL TRAVEL. ABDULKARIM WAS AWARE

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OF SAUDI AND EGYPTIAN INTEREST IN REMOVAL OF COCA COLA AND FORD FROM BLACKLIST. HE SAID THAT BAHRAIN HAD ALWAYS SUPPORTED PRINCIPLE THAT EQUAL OR GREATER INVESTMENT IN ARAB COUNTRIES TO THAT IN ISRAEL WAS VALID REASON FOR REMOVAL OF A FIRM FROM BLACKLIST. HE SAID THAT BAHRAIN HAD A GENERAL PRAGMATIC INTEREST IN REMOVAL OF QUALIFYING FIRMS FROM BLACKLIST BUT, AS IN OTHER MATTERS OF THIS TYPE, WOULD FOLLOW THE LEAD OFO SAUDI ARABIA IN ARAB COUNCILS.

2. ABDULKARIM SAID THAT HE HAD NO NEW INFORMATION ON TIMING OF MEETING TO DISCUSS BOYCOTT AFFAIRS AND IN FACT HAD A NOTE ON HIS MEMO PAD TO DISCUSS POSSIBLE TIME AND PLACE WITH HIS BOYCOTT DIRECTOR. HE SAID THAT ABOUT TWO MONTHS AGO BAHRAIN WAS APPROACHED TO HOST SUCH A MEETING BUT HAD DECLINED. BAHRAIN WOULD CONSIDER HOSTING REGIONAL MEETINGS IN THE ECONOMIC AND TECHNICAL SECTORS BUT COULD NOT AFFORD TO HOST MEETINGS WHICH WERE LIKELY TO BE CONTROVERSIAL.

3. THE MINISTER OFFERED TO INFORM THE EMBASSY IF HE LEARNED ANSDHING FURTHER CONCERNING THE TIME AND PLACE OF A MEETING OR THE ATTITUDES OF OTHER COUNTRIES TOWARD THE REMOVAL OF AMERICAN FIRMS FROM THE BLACKLIST.
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